

I fully support the ARRL's 5 MHz petition. A 5 MHz allocation, even if shared would be extremely valuable to Amateur radio and the public it is there to serve. In times of disaster, Amateur radio is always at the forefront of emergency communications. In disasters such as major earthquakes, hurricanes and other similar disasters reliable long distance communications is extremely important and valuable. Allowing hams to use a small section of 5 MHz spectrum could make communications much more reliable. Both 80 and 40 meters can at times become very crowded, especially at night. Reliable communications over long distances can at best be tedious. 5 MHz would fill a huge gap between those current allocations.

I urge, in the strongest possible terms, the FCC to grant this important allocation.

Thank you very much,

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